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HUNGARY PRODUCES IRON LUNG; BIRTH, DEATH RATES IMPROVE

FIRST BUILT IN HUNGARY -- Budapest, Friss Ujsag, 28 Sep 50

The first iron lung built in Hungary was recently exhibited at the Second National Innovation Exhibition. Previously, iron lungs were imported.

IMPROVES PRODUCTION OF SURGICAL NEEDLES -- Budapest, Friss Ujsag, 12 Sep 50

Istvan Jonas, instrument maker at the Medical Instrument Factory, is the sole producer of surgical needles in Hungary. During the past year, by four improvements on his manufacturing methods all the steps in the process can now be carried out automatically on the same machine. Jonas' production has increased 202 percent. He intends to train a fellow worker in the process before the end of the year.

BIRTH RATE RISES, MORTALITY RATE FALLS -- Budapest, Nepszava, 1 Oct 50

The number of births in Hungary during 1950 increased 5 percent, and the natural increase in the population was 21 percent above 1949. The number of pregnant women reporting to centers for counseling increased 27.2 percent over the same period last year.

Infant mortality in 1950 is 13 percent lower than in 1949. Family visits this year have increased 28.7 percent over 1949, and the amount of mother's milk available to infants has increased 215.4 percent. Many nurseries have been established, and beds for premature babies have been set up throughout the country.

The turnover in hospital dispensaries in 1950 increased 20 percent over 1949, and the number of nursing days in the hospitals increased 8 percent. Compared to 1949, the number of deaths decreased 3.2 percent.

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BUDAPEST BIRTHS CLIM. -- Budapest, Hirek a Magyar Nepi Demokraciabol, 19 Oct 50

During August 1950, 2,347 live births were registered in Budapest. The number of live births in August 1938 was 915. The natural population increase has also shown a significant rise during the past year.

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